



Colorado Crop Progress

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Agricultural Summary: Most of Colorado experienced precipitation below average for this time of year. Temperatures across the state were considerably higher than normal accelerating crop progress and development. Isolated thunderstorms along the Front Range and Eastern Plains produced some hail and wind damage to crops at the end of last week. Farmers had 6.9 days for field operations.

TOP SOIL MOISTURE BY PERCENT

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
This Week	2	21	75	2
Last Week	0	14	85	1
Last Year	1	19	71	9

SUBSOIL MOISTURE BY PERCENT

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
This Week	1	16	82	1
Last Week	1	13	84	2
Last Year	8	26	59	7

Small Grains: Winter wheat was 90 percent headed and just beginning to turn color with 1 percent turned by the end of the week. Warm temperatures aided development, but the crop is still about a week behind the usual pace. The crop was rated in mostly good condition. Spring barley was 27 percent headed at week's end, ahead of the 5-year average of 5 percent and was rated in mostly fair to good condition. Spring wheat was 26 percent headed, also ahead of the 5-year average of 3 percent and rated in mostly fair to good condition.

Row Crops: Corn was 95 percent emerged by week's end, ahead of the 5-year average of 83 percent. Dry onions' condition rating improved to mostly good. Sorghum planting progressed to 77 percent complete compared with 46 percent for the 5-year average. Emergence reached 24 percent, ahead of the 5-year average of 12 percent. Sugarbeets were 92 percent up to stand by the end of the week and rated in mostly good to fair condition. Producers continued planting sunflowers and ended the week with 47 percent complete.

SMALL GRAIN CONDITION BY PERCENT 1/

Week ending June 6, 2010

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Winter Wheat					
This Week	1	4	19	60	16
Last Year	1	5	19	53	22
Spring Barley					
This Week	0	14	41	38	7
Last Year	0	0	12	41	47
Spring Wheat					
This Week	0	9	48	36	7
Last Year	0	0	15	40	45

Summer potatoes were 75 percent emerged compared with a 5-year average of 58 percent and rated in mostly good condition. Fall potato emergence in the San Luis Valley reached 34 percent by week's end, ahead of the 5-year average of 21 percent.

Pasture, Range and Hay: Pasture and range feed conditions remain in mostly good to fair condition. Last year at this time they were rated mostly fair to good. Farmers continued cutting alfalfa hay last week with 48 percent of the 1st cutting now complete.

Livestock: Death losses for cattle and sheep were average. Stored feed supplies were also rated average for this time of year.

PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION BY PERCENT

Week ending June 6, 2010

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Pasture & Range-2010	1	5	25	58	11
Prev. Year - 2009	2	7	45	37	9
5-Year Avg.	12	17	31	33	7

COLORADO CROP PROGRESS

Development Ratings for Week Ending June 6, 2010

<u>Item</u>	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Last Year</u>	<u>5-Yr Avg.</u>
Winter Wheat				
Headed	90	52	93	91
Turning Color	1	N/A	8	13
Spring Barley				
Headed	27	N/A	1	5
Spring Wheat				
Headed	26	N/A	0	3
Corn				
Emerged	95	64	73	83
Sorghum				
Planted	77	40	35	46
Emerged	24	N/A	0	12
Sunflowers				
Planted	47	30	52	50
Dry Beans				
Planted	43	27	41	48
Emerged	18	N/A	11	18
Sugarbeets				
Up to Stand	92	68	94	88
Summer Potatoes				
Emerged	75	50	43	58
Fall Potatoes				
Emerged	34	10	18	21
Alfalfa				
1 st Cutting	48	22	18	36

COLORADO CONDITION RATINGS 1/

<u>Item</u>	<u>Very Poor</u>	<u>Poor</u>	<u>Fair</u>	<u>Good</u>	<u>Excellent</u>
Livestock	0	1	13	79	7
Corn	1	3	21	62	13
Dry Onions	1	1	19	69	10
Alfalfa	0	4	30	48	18
Sugarbeets	0	7	31	57	5
Summer Potatoes	0	0	2	90	8

1/ Crop condition ratings pertain to emerged plants early in the growing season through plants remaining to be harvested late in the season.

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